278597US0PCT Preliminary Amendment

REMARKS

An Article 34 amendment is filed concurrently herewith.

Claims shown in the Article 34 amendment are the originally filed claims.

Claims 1-8 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Claims 9-16 are added.

The claims have been amended to remove multiple dependencies, and to improve the readability of the claims.

The amendments to the claims are supported by the claims and specification, as originally filed.

Upon entry of the amendment, claims 9-16 will be active.

No new matter is believed to have been added by the amendments. An action on the merits and allowance of the claims is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Registration No. 49,073

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND, MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C. Norman F. Oblon

Customer Number

22850

Tel: (703) 413-3000 Fax: (703) 413 -2220 (OSMMN 06/04)